

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

**Notice Regarding Implementation of CM/ECF Release 3.1 -  
Statistical Reporting Requirements**

On Saturday, October 7, 2006, the Delaware Bankruptcy Court will convert to an updated release of CM/ECF - Release 3.1. CM/ECF will be down on October 7 from 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM to install the upgrade to the new version. This new version has been developed to address the statistical requirements of the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act (BAPCPA) and the Judicial Conference's Committee on the Administration of the Bankruptcy System.

Section 601 of the BAPCPA amended Chapter 6, title 28, United States Code, by adding a new §159, which requires the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts (AO) to compile certain statistical information on bankruptcies filed by individual debtors with primarily consumer debts under chapters 7, 11, and 13; make such data available to the public; and publish a report on that compilation by July 1, 2008, and annually thereafter.

Significant changes have been incorporated into the case opening processes of CM/ECF Release 3.1 that will not permit the filing of a bankruptcy petition or adversary complaint by any office utilizing bankruptcy preparation software not compatible with Release 3.1. Users of such software are encouraged to advise their respective providers of the Court's scheduled upgrade to Release 3.1. By providing your vendors with advanced notification of our conversion date, they will be in a better position to provide you with the necessary updates for continued successful electronic filing with this Court.

Additional information regarding the new release will be issued prior to the conversion date. If you have any questions pertaining to the conversion, please feel free to contact the Clerk's Office.

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Clerk of Court

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